Wilmington, Delaware April 18, 2013

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Council Member D. Brown WHEREAS, Wilmington City Council believes violence in neighborhoods and communities exacts a toll that goes far beyond intended or unintended victims and their families. Witnessing violence, or living in a community overcome by violent activities, leads to physical and mental health issues, exacerbates widespread unhealthy behavior and creates a diminished sense of community wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, Wilmington City Council supports the Safe Neighborhood Gun
Confiscation Resolution which implements strategies and public policies to reduce crime,
promote public safety, and create safe neighborhoods within the City of Wilmington and
throughout the State of Delaware; and

WHEREAS, the Wilmington City Council recommends that the Delaware General Assembly create an online data base established for the purpose of identifying persons who become prohibited from owning or possessing a firearm subsequent to the date of ownership; and

WHEREAS, the online data base will compare each new felony conviction, restraining order or mental instability incident, and law enforcement will contact the prohibited person and assure that the gun is removed or confiscated from that person no longer eligible to own or possess the firearm; and

WHEREAS, no legal gun owner will be inconvenienced and no legally owned weapons will be confiscated.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY

OF WILMINGTON, that the Wilmington City Council urge the Delaware General Assembly to create a data based mechanism for detecting lawful firearm owners who subsequently become prohibited from firearm ownership for the purposes of confiscating such firearms.

> Passed by City Council, April 18, 2013

Approved as to form this 171^W day of April, 2013.

Assistant City Solicitor